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**CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND QUARTERLY UPDATE**  
Fourth Quarterly Report (March 1, 2020 - March 31, 2021)

A total of \$8.8 billion in funds appropriated in the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act has been spent. In addition, a total of \$509 million of Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) funds were obligated (or committed). This represents 97.8 percent of the state's \$9.5 billion allocation. These funds have helped mitigate learning loss for students, protected vulnerable populations, such as homeless individuals and families, and supported front-line efforts to combat the virus including purchase of necessary personal protective equipment.

The five largest categories of CRF expenditures represents about two thirds of the total spending to date in the following categories defined by the federal government:

1. Facilitating Distance Learning (\$2.5 billion)
2. Housing Support (\$975 million)
3. Personal Protective Equipment (\$870 million)
4. Payroll for Public Health and Public Safety (\$730 million)
5. Public Health Expenses (\$713 million)

Data reported for this quarter reflect the following:

- Counties and community college districts reported **all** of their funding spent, or nearly \$1.3 billion and \$54 billion, respectively.
- Cities reported almost all (99.9 percent) of their total funding spent, or nearly \$499 million. Only 4 cities had unspent funds with a combined total of about \$30,000.
- Local education agencies reported over 99 percent of their funds spent or obligated, with less than \$35 million of the \$4.4 billion allocated to schools remaining unspent or unobligated. A total of 1,833 local education agencies reported funds as fully spent or obligated.
- The Department of Housing and Community Development reported expenditures totaling \$747 million for 94 Homekey projects with 51 local entities. The projects will create over 6,000 units to support housing for individuals and families experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness due to COVID-19.

**Detail**—To find more detailed spending information by the receiving entity – such as a county, city, or local education agency – access the Coronavirus Relief Fund Quarterly Report page via the link below and click on the “CRF Expenditures by Recipient” link.

[http://www.dof.ca.gov/budget/COVID-19/CRF\\_Report/](http://www.dof.ca.gov/budget/COVID-19/CRF_Report/)

This data set includes allocation amounts for over 3,200 recipients as well as expenditures reported from March 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021 in 17 categories defined by the federal government. The data also reflect obligations of each entity. Data can also be filtered to see

spending by county. The allocations are organized using state project IDs in key areas. Definitions of these projects are included along with a brief description of the program purpose and which state department oversees the use of the funds. A summary of total expenditures by category is also included with this data set. The data reflects aggregate expenditures for recipients of these funds. For specific details of items of expenditure within these 17 broad categories, the listed sub-recipient should be contacted directly.

**Federal Reimbursement for State COVID-19 Costs—**Since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, state agencies have incurred substantial costs for actions taken to reduce the spread of the virus. Under the CARES Act and subsequent federal guidance, some of the costs already paid by the state are eligible for reimbursement using federal CRF monies.

Through March 31, 2021, reported costs totaling more than \$2.3 billion have been paid or reimbursed with CRF monies. State expenditures will be revised in the next quarterly report to reflect adjustments in some areas to reflect an increase in the FEMA Public Assistance Program funding. This change will allow the state to maximize federal funds available to support state response costs. These state funds support various COVID-19-related activities including contact tracing support for local public health departments, support for health care workers, residential care facilities, senior programs, child care centers, and food banks.

Finance will update expenditures and obligations after filing the federal report due on July 12, 2021.